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Employment of [REDACTED]

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1. I am attaching hereto the PHS for [REDACTED] together with the Request for Personnel Action.

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2. I have known [REDACTED] usually in connection with the work of the EIC Subcommittee on Industrial Machinery and Equipment to which he was [REDACTED] representative. In these meetings he conducted himself very creditably. I have also reviewed his PHS carefully and I have interviewed him at length following the submission of the PHS. Moreover, I have read selected sections of his Master's thesis, now in preparation, as well as one report he prepared.

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3. [REDACTED] is not the strongest applicant I have ever interviewed but I do think that he is average or somewhat better and that he would bring to the job in D/I certain real assets. First, he knows a little bit about intelligence and quite a bit about the sort of work D/I does. He enjoys this sort of work and hopes to make a career of it taking additional education which may be required. Secondly, he knows sources and should be fairly productive in a short period of time. This is particularly true in the industrial machinery categories to which he was assigned in [REDACTED]. Third, he has a good attitude toward the work and would be "retreadable" as our needs change. 25X1A

4. It is difficult to judge what the potential of a new applicant may be but I would guess that [REDACTED] may have a ceiling at about Grade GS-13. He writes well and might develop beyond this level. 25X1A9a

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[REDACTED] I think he will do well on a number of essential projects of somewhat more limited scope than those to which any of the above three would be assigned.

5. In summary, I think [REDACTED] is a reasonably good bet and will do well on many of the jobs which have to be done. His growth potential will depend upon his willingness to get further education in the field of economics and in the degree to which he can bring imagination to broad economic analysis. I recommend his employment. 25X1A9a

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